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NEW PROVINCIAL COURT JUDGE APPOINTED

VICTORIA – Josiah Wood, QC, has been appointed to the bench of the Provincial Court in Duncan.

The appointment is effective Sept. 24, 2007.

Wood has practised with Blake, Cassels & Graydon in Vancouver since 1996. Prior to that, he served as a judge of the B.C. Supreme Court (1983 to 1989) and the B.C. Court of Appeal (1989 to 1996). He began his career in 1968 with Dowding, Deverell, Harrop & Wood, where he practised for 15 years.

Wood served as a bencher of the Law Society of British Columbia from 1978 to 1983. He is active on the organizing committee and faculty of the University of British Columbia trial advocacy course. Wood was a faculty member of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada national criminal law program for 28 years.

The process to appoint judges involves several steps. Interested lawyers apply and the B.C. Judicial Council, a committee made up of the chief judge, other judges, lawyers and lay people, then reviews the candidates.

The council recommends potential judges to the Attorney General, with the final appointment made through a cabinet order-in-council. More information about the appointment process can be found at: www.provincialcourt.bc.ca.

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